

## REMARKS

Claims 1-12 and 15 are pending in the present application.

Claims 13-14 are canceled without prejudice. In the above amendments, claims 1 and 15 have been amended.

Claims 1-12 and 15 are rejected under 35 USC 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicant respectfully submits that the previously presented claims 1-12 and 15 are statutory since they recite a method and therefore fall under the statutory class of a process. However, in order to expedite the prosecution of this application, Applicant has amended independent claims 1 and 15 to more clearly recite statutory subject matter by adding a "processor" in each independent method claim which ties the claimed method to a particular machine or apparatus as set forth in the Interim Guidelines published by the USPTO on August, 2009 ("Interim Examination Instructions for Evaluating Subject Matter Eligibility Under 35 U.S.C. 101").

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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